

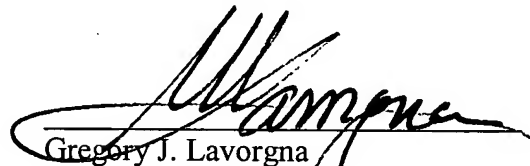
Remarks

Claims 1 and 3-9 have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and to place the claims in proper U.S. format. The Abstract has been amended to place it in proper U.S. format. No new matter has been added.

It is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are in condition for allowance, and Applicant respectfully requests that allowance be granted at the earliest date possible. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding Applicant's amendments or response, the Examiner is asked to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at (215) 988.2700.

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ABSTRACT

A device for cutting vegetables into ribbons or into strips, having a frame provided with at least one cutting blade mounted transversely relative to a slot for the passage of the cut vegetables as well as two lateral rails, and a housing guided for translation to and fro along the guide rails and defining in its interior a space for receiving vegetables to be cut. The housing is constituted by a parallelepipedal guide chamber which is open in its upper portion and has a length substantially greater than its width, and by a pusher comprising a presser plate forming a base of a geometrical shape corresponding to the cross-section of the guide chamber and fitting in that chamber, as well as by a grip to be gripped manually by the user.